

Interagency Subcommittee on Environmental Education 12/6/12 1:30-3:30 PM

Capitol Education Center, Frankfort, KY

IN ATTENDANCE: Steve Meredith, Governor's Office of Ag Policy; Merin Roseman, KEEC; Jill Stoltz, Division of Waste Management; Seth Wheat, KY Adventure Tourism; Michelle Shane, KY Division of Water; Mary Duncan, KY Educational Television; Sean Elkins, KY Department of Education; Joyce Bender, KY State Nature Preserves; Elizabeth McNulty, KY Department of Agriculture; Roberta Burnes, KY Division of Air Quality; Tresine Logsdon, Fayette County Public Schools.

Presentations:

Elizabeth Schmitz and facilities staff **Joel Benoit** led the group on a tour of the Capitol Education Center and presented schematics for the design of the educational components of the building. Elizabeth reported to the group that the installation of kiosks and other visual graphics would be complete by 12/21/12.

Elizabeth McNulty presented the group with the Kentucky Department of Agriculture's "Ready, Set, Grow" manual. The book is designed for student and teacher use. It has pictures of common garden plants at different stages of their life cycles; composting instructions; and activity sheets for students. Currently few guides have been printed and they are being distributed on a limited basis. For more information, visit: http://www.kyproud.com/readysetgrow/.

Seth Wheat presented about KY Adventure Tourism's "Trail Town" initiative, which aims to support trail-based tourism in communities near major hiking or boating trails. Over 40 towns have signed up for this initiative to date, and there is room for environmental education and outreach in these communities. For more information, visit: http://www.kentuckytourism.com/!userfiles/Industry/Adventure/4%20-%20Trail%20Town%20How%20to%20Guide.pdf.